State of Arizona House of Representatives Forty-fifth Legislature Second Regular Session 2002

HOUSE RESOLUTION 2005

A RESOLUTION

DECLARING APRIL 2002 AS PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH.

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 Whereas, more individuals suffer from Parkinson's disease than multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy and Lou Gehrig's disease combined; and

Whereas, according to the National Parkinson Foundation, the American Parkinson Disease Association and the National Institute of Health, there are approximately 1.5 million people in the United States diagnosed with Parkinson's disease; and

Whereas, the symptoms of Parkinson's disease-stillness, tremor, rigidity, slowness, poor movement and difficulty with balance and speaking — are often mistaken for other conditions especially in the younger adult or in the older adult as a normal part of the aging process; and

Whereas, anti-parkinsonian drugs can only control some of the symptoms of Parkinson's disease for a short period of time, and cause in many cases disabling side effects; and

Whereas, surgical procedures likewise offer only temporary lessening of certain symptoms and are not a substitute for drugs; and

Whereas, April 2002 has been proclaimed as worldwide Parkinson's awareness month for all to recognize the need for more research and help in dealing with the devastating effects of Parkinson's disease; and

Whereas, increased education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments and ultimately a cure for Parkinson's disease.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

That the Members of the House of Representatives do hereby proclaim the month of April 2002 as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month.

APPROVED BY THE HOUSE MARCH 27, 2002.

FILED IN TE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH 27, 2002.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

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